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More new Postmasters were appointed yesterday. Consent.

SHALL we have a new Senator from Illinois to-day? General Logan has the front seat on the anxious bench.

A REPUBLICAN newspaper correspondent was discharged from one of the Washington departments yesterday.

THE solid South is in the side-saddle, says

the Macon Telegraph, because the new Post masters in that region are mostly women. THE Mormons and bloody-shirt editors have decided that Mr. Cleveland is "a disap-

pointment." Well, he can not please everybedy. It is gratifying to announce that the latest telegrams indicate a decided abatement of the ravages of typhoid fever at Plymouth,

I'a. No deaths were reported yesterday, or any new cases. CONUNDRUM for the Republican organs: Do you consider the Poetmaster who was caught selling for waste paper German Telegraph which were sent to him for delivery to sub

scribers an "offensive partisan?"

In the new version of the Old Testament "vanity and vexation of spirit" (Ecclesiates ii., 17) has become "vanity and a striving after wind." Some of the Boarbon Republican organs might adopt this as a motto for serious cogitation. It describes their frantic efforts in certain directions to a dot.

Bos INGERSOLL worked off his old infidel lecture on "Blasphemy" last Sunday in Chicago. What has become of that European tour that he and Dorsey were to take? Bob's "original" ideas on infidelity will be recognized in many European countries as the same old creeds of Voltaire, Rousseau & Co.

Ir is understood that as soon as the Illinois Senatorship question is settled President Cleveland will at once appoint a Chicago Marshal as well as a number of Collectors and Postmasters in that State. One or more important foreign positions, to which Illinois is considered to be entitled, will also be

THE resignation of Mr. Burke of the Directorship General of the New Orleans Exposi tion is said to be due to the fact that he has become involved financially through assum ing obligations in behalf of the great fair which he had reason to expect the Govern ment would discharge. The decision of the Attorney General which declared that no part of the \$350,000 recently appropriated by Congress should be used in the payment of the Louisiana creditors has proved a serious blow to Major Burke.

THERE must have been an alliance between the weather and the coal dealers which has not yet expired. Here, within a few days of June, the black flag was hung out from the Signal Office yesterday, and though pedestrians were perspiring in the forencou, is but fair that the coal yards shut their yard gates now and give the sun-shade and fan dealer and soda water and ice cream vendors a charce. This must be done or we shall apply for an injunction against the

BEFORE CLEVELAND CAME IN.

"Don't turn them out," exclaims the New York Tribune in effect, when it claims for the Republican department clerks efficiency. industry, etc. Now comes a Washington special to a Chicago Bourbon Republican organ, which opens up one of the offices that all may see how it was operated under Republican management. It seems that the Sixth Auditor's office, like that of the Second Comptroller of the Treasury, has long been known as one of the mest delightful places for a lazy clerk that the Government has at its disposal. The work in that bureau is what is technically known as "quarterly work." Under the old regime it was so divided among the clerks as to give each one what was supposed to be a good three months' allowance each quarter. It was a dull clerk who could not after a year's experience do his quarter's work in seven or eight weeks, and have the remainder of the time virtually to himself. This was especially true of what is called the stating division. where a force of probably fifty clerks was employed. The chief was an easy going, kind-hearted man, who asked no questions, but allowed his clerks to do as they chose, provided the work of one quarter was finished before that of another began. The correspondent once visited the division to obtain some information. The clerk addressed had an immense number of accounts piled up on his deek. He was smoking a cigar and deeply interested in a novel he had gether plous way. Mr. Cleveland and listened page.

in his band, "How can you find time to read when you have so much work on hand?" was asked. "Oh, that's only a blind," answered the clerk, indicating the pile as he spoke, "I cleaned those up last quarter, but you see I have to make a pretense of doing something for fear the Auditor might drop in and get on to my little game." This young man was drawing a salary of \$1 600 a year, and confidentially informed his visitor that he had five weeks remaining in the quarter without so much as an hour's work to occupy his attention. His case may be taken as a fair sample of all the others. According to his own statement he could bribe a messenger with a dollar occasionally to report him present at 9 o'clock each morning. He would then drop in at 10 or 11, and read or write until lunch time. He would then go out at noon and remain until nearly 4 e'clock, when he would return to the building in time to join the other clerks at the close of office hours. The new Sixth Auditor is rapidly changing the order of things. It is not surprising that Cleveland's administration is an unpopular one with the clerks in that office.

SENTINEL ECHOES FROM THE PAST A long time subscriber to the Indianapolis Sentinel has laid upon the editor's deak several copies of the paper of February. March and April, 1851-more than thirtyfour years old. Of course the Sentinel files are even older, but these copies are the more interesting from having been preserved by a reader for so long a time. The copies before us are of semi-weekly edition, four pages of six columns each. The name of Austin H. Brown appears as publisher, and that of his

father, W. J. Brown, now deceased, as editor. The railway time card at that era did not take up a column. We find but one announcement, that of the Madison and Indianapolis Railroad, by John Brough, President, and reading:

"On and after Monday next, the 39th inst., the passenger trains will leave Madison and Indianapolis, respectively, at fifteen minutes before 8 o'clock a, m., and arrive at the same places at 1 o'clock p. m." An Ohio River Packet Line and the Wabash and North White River stage lines are advertised.

Then, as now, the temperance question was being discussed with a gusto. The Fugitive Slave bill was up in Congress, with George W. Julian and Jesse D. Bright conspicuous talkers upon it. A publication of census statistics of Indiana showed the total number of newspapers to have been 98; circulation, 67,924; population, 990,258; number of families, 187,618. A new State Conefitution was about being submitted for the ratification of the people, and a provision in it prohibiting the further immigration of persons of color to Indiana was exciting earnest debate.

Some of the names appearing in the old prints are quite familiar yet. An advertisement announces a law partnership between "Lucian Barbour and Albert G. Porter." Certain market quotations are "corrected weekly by S. A. Fletcher, Exchange Broker." Mention is made of Joseph E. McDonald as having been "a faithful and popular Representative in the last Congress." The Sentinel, even in that long ago favored the advancement of man to the sphere to which she is entitled, and so was eulogizing Robert Dale Owen for his eloquent championship of woman in the Constitutional Convention which had just adjourned.

Thirty-four years ago the Sentinel was under the necessity, as it still often is, of lecturing its neighbor, the Journal, upon the evil of "squinting." Here is a paragraph copied from the Journal into the Sentinel of March 22, 1851, with the Sentinel's replyhow much it reminds of the present anxiety of the Journal for civil service reform since the late accendency of the Democratic ad-

"The Democratic Congress, just adjourned, re-fused to confer on General Scott the title of Lieutenant General for fear that it might aid his elec-tion to the Presidency! Let that be remembered by the people. They will determine to confer upon him a title far above any in the power of Congress to bestow. '—Indiana Journal. A great change has been going on in the Whig mind for some time past as to the necessity for this office. When Mr. Polk thought such an office nec-

essary, during the Mexican war, the Whigs in a body voted against it. Now that they wish to add a high-sounding title to their Presidential candidate, when there is nothing to do, they are all in favor of it, except, however, a few Silver Grey Whigs, who thought the General might be satisfied with his laurels and \$8,000 a year.—Sentinel.

Here is an advertisement: "James Snodgrass, attorney at law; by profession printer; by trade telegraph operator, and Postmaster by appointment. Will be found at all times on hand for business in either of the above callings. None but office business attended

The news was received by the Sentinel thirty-four years ago by "magnetic telegraph," the nearest office of which was at Madison. The dispatches were quite brief compared with the service of to-day. The difference between the heavy, labored style of writing of that day is in decided contrast with the effervescent style of to-day.

ALL WRONG AS USUAL. The Bourbon Republican organs from the earlier days of the administration have been detected in many false and offensive statements regarding Mr. Cleveland and matters connected with the administration. Not to put too delicate a point to it-they simply lied very frequently. We have given instances time and again of this tendency to misrepresent and falsify. The President and Senator Blackburn had an interview a few days ago, and the following account appeared in the Commercial Gazette the next day, and yesterday morning we find it in the Journal of this city. It is a daisy in its way and suggests that the author was in a high state of fermentation when he wired it westward. Sample it:

Senator Joe Blackburn had a highly inflamma-tory interview to day with the President. He says that he read the riot act to Mr. Cleveland, and all

tiently to the Senator's lurid speech, and finally said: "Mr Blackburn, wast can I do for you?"
Senator Blackburn replied: "Mr. President, you can do as you d-d please," and turning about,

Mr. Blackburn has written a long letter denounce ing the administration, but it has been withheld for three days. It will probably see light soon. Prudent and careful journalism would

suggest the waste basket for such drivel. A day or two after the foregoing appeared another account was sent to the Commercial Gazette frem Washington concerning the same interview. The Journal should copy it also, but we very much doubt its doing so. The special is dated Washington, May 17, and reads as follows:

The Post says: "Senator Blackburn, of Kentucky, felt the rejection of his brother for Collector of Internal Revenue in Kentucky sorely, but bore the matter calmly and silently. Some days after the Cabinet decided his brother's case soversely, the Senator wrote the President a note asking when it would be convenient for an interview at the White House. The President prompt ly responded, and the meeting took place Friday morning. Senator Bleckburn stated to the President that it seemed to him that the ad-ministration was not disposed to regard his suggestions in Kentucky matters, and that henceforth he had no favors to ask, and that he would wait and let matters develop with-out his interference. He said, furthermore, that it was not his intention to make a factious fight upon the administration, but in the future he would stand in a position to indorse such appointments as he saw fit and proper, and to oppose

these that did not meet with his approval
"The President, it is understood, replied to the
Senator in a dignified and deliberate way, saying that there was no disposition upon the part of the administration to antagonize or to part company with him, but, upon the contrary, his advice would receive respectful consideration, and Kentucky appointments in the future, as in the past, would be made without feeling or prejudice, and for the go-d of the State and party.

"After a full review of the field, it is stated that
the Senstor and the President came to an agreea-

ble understanding, and secarated friendly enough

ferall practical purposes." Senator Blackburn has emphasized the fact on one or two occasions that the most cordial relationship exists between Mr. Cleveland and himself. We call attention to these matters, not because they are especially important of themselves but simply to call attention to the unreliability of many of the Washington correspondents of the Bourbon Republican organs. They have deter-

mined to see no good in Mr. Cleveland, and

they propose to lie about him and his move-

ments whenever it will serve their purposes.

An article on "The President and the Sanate" the St. Louis Republican concludes as follows: "The simple Democratic rule is the wisest, fairest and best-to confirm all appointments of a Republican President, except where the appointee is especially objectionable. This rule is based upon the principle that when the President is a Republican he has a right to Republican assistants and subordinates, and a Republican administration-and Democrats have no alterna tive but to await their turn. The Republican Senate will do well to adopt the rule. Their party is out of power; the country is Damocratic and has chosen a Democratic President. This Democratic President is charged with the duty of executing the laws, and should be permitted to choose his own sub ordinates for the work."

## SPIRIT OF THE STATE PRESS.

THE Indianapolis Journal says Judge Gooding is at Washington to secure an office. If he is, he is doing just right, for his labors in the past years in the cause of Democracy entitle him to marked consideration at the hands of the present administration. He is qualified to fill any position within Mr. Cleveland's gift.-Hancock Dem-

This is a big country of ours and official patronage has increased to a wonderful extent since James Buchannan let go the helm. Cleveland and his advisers are inclined to move slow in removals, and this plan will commend itself to the Democracy the more they familiarize themselves with the magnitude of the undertaking.-New Castle Democrat.

From all parts of the country come assurances that the new Democratic administra. tion has given the people hope and promise of a new era in politics and better times in the future. Everything seems to have got ten out of fix; the Government and social machinery have gone wrong; and the business and labor of the country are paying the penalties of vicious legislation and methods of wrong living.-Shelby Volunteer.

An effort is being made to induce the President to give Fred Grant an appointment in the army. It strikes us the young man should be allowed to shift for himself. He was in the army once, and resigned to enter business, and having failed, desires to get back into the former place. Fred is a decided failure, and his rich father-in-law, not the Government, should pension the young man .- Miami County Sentinel.

THE Republican papers are attacking General John C. Black, the newly-appointed Pension Commissioner. The head and front of General Black's offending is, that, although he was one of the bravest soldiers in the Federal army, was wounded in both arms, and is a pure man, he is a Democrat. The party that honored the rebel cut-throat Mosby, of Fort Pillow infamy, and the rebel General Longstreet, should give the Union soldier a chance. - Wells County Times.

Ir appears that the Cincinnati Esquirer i disposed to enter the lists as an anti-administration Democratic organ. Everybody who is acquainted with the Enquirer's method has long since been able to measure its devotion to the administration by the amount of personal profit which Mr. McLean could get out of the administration. During the campaign the Enquirer kept its sails so trimmed that it was always ready to take to any breeze that might promise a prosperous voyage and a profitable landing. As a con sequence Enquirer stock is not at a premium in administration circles. Revenge being next to gain the thing most prized by the Enquirer its position as an anti-administration paper neither surprise nor discourage anybody.-Paoli News.

WE have lately seen great stress put upon reasons for the removal of Republican Postmasters, the principal one of which seems to be, they acted in a partisan manner and took important parts in political gatherings. nominating conventions, etc. Well, we takes an intelligent man to be a good party leader. And we believe the deposed Postmasters' places will be filled with men who have rendered good service. That's why they will be appointed; that is why the present holders were appointed. Civil service reform has but one advantage, i. e., it enables a Congressman to refer a persistent individual without political influence to a strict examination for an office he is never destined to fill, because the astute Congressman has already used his personal influence in another's behalf .- Fountain and Warren Democrat.

#### PERSONALS.

Joe Jefferson says there is no foundation for the report that he will play in London

SHAKESPEARE, not the bard of Avon, but a Democrat, has been appointed Postmaster. at Kalamazoo, Mich.

the Essex Junction are printed by the last number of London Truth and pronounced "clever." THE will of General Gordon leaves the

whole of his property to his sister, Mary A.

UNITED STATES MINISTER PHELPS' lines on

Gordon, The personalty is rated under MRS. TOM THUMB, now the Countess Magri, wears for shoes a child's No. 5, and the Count

wears a child's No. 8. The midgets sailed for Europe last Saturday. OURAY, Colo., is proud of its Mayor, who the local paper says, is plain and unpretend

ing, wears his hat on the back of his head, and spells "Council" with a "K." MISS DORA MILLER, young, beautiful, an heiress, and the only child of Senator Miller,

of California, is soon to be married to Lieu-

tenant Richard Clover, of the navy. A COMPLIMENTARY family dinner was tendered to Robert C. Winthrop at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, New York, last Wednesday, which was his seventy-sixth birthday.

IT is said that Minister Foster, having completed his mission to Spain, will resign in a few weeks, and ex-Governor Thomas C. Reynoids, of Missouri, will be appointed to his

WHEN Mr. Cleveland went to select a pew in the Washington church which he attends he was asked what part of the building he would like to sit in. "Well," he said, "I don't want to be so near the minister that he can see whether or not I am listening."

LONDON Vanity Fair (Tory) thinks it a great mistake that only one side of the picture—the pleasant one—was offered to the public as regards the Prince of Wales' Irish visit. The Royal party were not generally well received in Cork and Kerry. "Why," asks Vanity Fair, "was the story of the little coffin thrown into the royal carriage wholly suppressed?"

THERE are good mothers in England. Lady Portsmouth is canvassing the electors of the new South Molton Division of Derbyshire on behalf of her son, Lord Lymington, the selected Liberal candidate. She has attended several public meetings, and is stated to have delivered some effective speeches. Lord Lymington, who recently married a Quakeress, is meanwhile on his honeymoon tour.

THE Commander-in-chief of the Afghan army wears a crimson uniform covered with gold facings, and a black helmet. Gholam Hyder Chirki is a man of great stature, resolute looking, and of commanding appearance. He is a Ghilzai of the district lying between Kushi and Ghanzi, his native village being Chirk, hence his distinctive name Chirki to distinguish him from numerous other Gholam Hyders. He played a leading part in the first fights about Kabool.

It seems that precautions are taken on the Potomac at the very spot where the water is diverted for the supply of Washington City, to pollute it with the drainage of pig and cattle and human hog pens. There has been a watchman employed at this spot, and he has confined his exertions to doing what he could to dirty the water. Still, American citizens talk with a good deal of complacency of the uncleanliness of other people.—Commercial Gazette.

DICKENS has been very much criticised for his apparent acceptance of the fact of spontaneous combustion, but Sir William Gull lately testified to a surprising case before the committee of 'the House of Lords on intemperance. A large, bloated man, who was suffering from difficulty of breathing and great distention of the venous system, died at Guy's Hospital. At the post mortem of the following day there was no sign of decomposition, and the body was believed to be distended with gas. "When punctures were made into the skin," said Sir William, "and a lighted match applied, the gas which escaped burned with the ordinary flame of carburetted bydrogen. As many as a dozen of these small flames were burning at the same time."

The Honeymoon Barely Over and the Bride Wants a Divorce.

SHELBYVILLE, Ind., May 18 .- Mattie E. Strickler to-day filed a suit for divorce from Martin V. Strickler and for \$3,500 alimony. The parties have only been married about eighteen months, and she charges him with cruel and inhuman treatment. The defendant is a well known and well-to-do young business man in the west part of the county.

Supposed to be Fatally Shot.

Special to the Sentinel. WABASH, Ind., May 18 .- This afternoon William Weisel, a quarryman, was fatally shot by a fellow laborer with whom he was souffling, the bail entering Weisel's nose and lodging against the interior wall of the skull. Both men were intexicated at the time, and the shot is believed to have been accidental. Weisel refused to permit a surgeon to probe for the ball.

The Baum Extradition Case. TOBONTO, May 18 .- A motion was made at Osgoede Hall, to-day, in the Baum extradition case, for the discharge of the prisoner, who is held in the Chatham Jail under a

# A SLAUGHTER.

Horrid Deeds of a Bloodthirsty Indianian.

Desporado Kills a Man at the Card Table and Then Murders Four More Persons in Order to Escape.

|Louisville Post, May, 18.|

The story of the murder of five people near

Birdseye, Ind., a little station on the Air-Line Road, was broughi to the city this morning. A reporter of the Post met a gentleman hailing from that place at the Howard House. The story of the wholesale murder, as detailed to a the Post, 15 Last Saturday week a man named William Wallers, who is known to all that section of the country as a desperate man, entered into a game of poker with a man named John Bladsoe. The game was conducted in a room, the only other occupant or eye witness being a man named Slocum. The game began late, and the room was located in s house in a secluded section outside the village. Bladsoe was playing a bluff game, and at one point when wallers raised him a dollar, he threw out a gold \$10 piece. Wallers called him. When he saw that the bluff did not work, Bradsoe picked up his plece of money from the table and started to leave. He had hardly gotten up from his seat when Wallers was on him with a large bowie knife, plunging it into his body. Bladsoe was killed instantly, and Wallers, accompanied by Slocum, left the house. The murder was of course a mystery, and a reward of several hundred dollars was offered by the citizens for the apprehension of the murderer. Fearing Slo cum would be induced by the reward to blab the secret, Wallers went in search of him last Tuesday and shot him through the body, near the grave where has first victim was buried. He then made his escape, and was pursued to his home by Joe Slick and his brother, two very respectable men of that part of the country. He was cornered at his home, and opened fire on the two men, killing them both. He then made his escape and was not heard from again till last Saturday. His wife was tound in her home, with her throat slit from ear to ear. It is thought that the desperad fearing that his wife would divuige some important information she possessed concerning him, returned in the night and committed this fifth murder to escape capture for the other four.

When the reporter's informant passed through that section yesterday a posse of citizens were out searching the country for the villain, and mob law is threatened in case he is captured.

SENTINEL SPECIALS.

Death of Mrs. Walker.

MUNCIE, Ind., May 18. - The news of the sad death of Mrs. Gertrude Ethell, wife of Barclay Walker, and only daughter of N F. Ethell, editor of the Daily News, of this place, caused a profound sorrow in this city when announced this morning. She died at her home at Indianapolis, where she had but a few months ago gone to share the happi ness of an affectionate husband as she was an affectionate wife. Here she was regarded in the highest esteem, claiming all for her friends. She was a most intelligent and accomplished woman. Her husbend, Barclay Walker, is a well known musician of Indianapolis. The funeral will take place from the residence of her parents, in this city, on Wednesday afternoon, and will no doubt be attended by a large number of sorrowing friends, including many from Kansas, Indianapolis and elsewhere.

Block's Retrial Postponed.

Special to the Sentinel. GREENSBURG, Ind., May 18.-Judge Berkshire failed to come to Greensburg to-day to commence the Block trial. In deference to the wishes of Senator Voorhees the cause was continued till July 6. Mr. Block has shown a great anxiety for the trial to proceed at once. He has been to-day in consultation with his attorneys, Judge Cullen, Jesse Spann and J. K. Ewing, and allowed the liberty of the Court-house and the Hotel de Armond. under the charge of the young son of the Sheriff, Glant Welsh. Mr. Black is hopeful of an acquittal, and to some of his friends was heard to quote, with much feeling, the following lines:

What is the use of repining, For where there's a will there's a way To-morrow the sun may be shining, Although it is cloudy to-day.'

Columbus Notes. Special to the Sentinel.

COLUMBUS, Ind., May 18,-Frank Twoomy, a brakeman on the J., M. and I main line freight, had an arm crushed while coupling

There was a bloody fight here on Saturday night, in which William Burrell received injuries that may prove fatal. One of the parties who did the bloody work is under bond, but the others have skipped out to wait the result of the wounds they gave

Colonel George Palmer, who has been very low with typhoid fever, is able to be out

Bass fishing is very fine in the White River in this county at the present time. One party took twenty-seven and another seventeen a few days ago.

Burglary-Struck by a Train.

Special to the Sentinel. TIPTON, Ind., May 18 -On Saturday night thieves gained an entrance to the clothing store of Moses Hass, and stold about \$100 worth of clothing, and fearing detection, after gaining the suburbs of the town, set fire to it and burned it up. No clue to the

Last night, about midight, the south-bound train, while nearing the Tipton Junction, ran over a man who was in a state of intoxication. He was sitting on the ties asleep. He claims to have lived in the county about five years and answers to the name of William Galbeth. He at present lies in a critical condition at the Poor Farm, with his head badly crashed and left leg broken below the knee in two places. His recovery is doubtful.

Chambers Again Arrested. Special to the Sentinel.

BLOOMINGTON, Ind., May 18. - Chesiey Chambers was arrested yesterday on the charge of assault with intent to kill Davis, the first charge being for assault with intent to kill, when he was placed in jail last night and brought before Mayor Mulky this afternoon to be arraigned. When he pleaded not guilty his attorneys waived a preliminwarrant of extradition to Dallas, Tex., for ary trial on both charges, and his trials go | was skinned and will be stuffed and placed guees that is why they were appointed; it arson and forgery. Judgment was reserved. cver to the September term of Court, His on exhibition.

bail in the last case was fixed at \$15,000. making \$20,000 in all. He has almost completed his bond and will be free until September, unless again arrested on the charge of robbing the Express Company.

INDICATIONS.

WASHINGTON, May 19, 1 s. m. For the Ohio Valley and Tennessee-Colder. partly cloudy weather and occasional; rains, and

northeasterly winds, higher barometer. For the Upper Lake Region-Generally fair weather, northwesterly winds, slightlycooler in the southern portion, slightly warmer in the northwestern portion.

WRITING AGAIN.

Gets Springer's Revolver, and Swears Eternal Enmity.

Frank Whiting is a young man whose sole aim in life is to be a tough, and that he bas nearly reached the acme of his ambition none will dispute. Frank bobs up serenely sgain, coming to the front once more in connection with his deadly enemy, William Springer, of Haughville. Whiting, it will be remembered, attempted to kill Springer a short time ago, and beside receiving a bullet in the leg was sent to jail for six months. The trouble arose over Mrs. Springer, who was at one time Whiting's legal wife, but who procured a divorce when that festive young gentleman was "railroaded" for grand larceny and burglary some four years ago. As soon as he was released Whiting returned to Indianapolis and attempted to induce her to desert Springer and live with him, but in this be failed. Heatonce decided that Springer must die, and undertook the ardnous task of ending William's earthly career, but made a complete failure of it. as above stated. Frank did not serve out his jail sentence, but was released before the expiration of the same on condition that he would leave the city. He failed to fulfil his promise, however, and, it seems, has been hovering about Haughville since his release. Yesterday afternoon ha access to the residence of gained Springer and made off with that gentleman's revolver, declaring to acquaintances shortly after he came out of the house, that he intended to kill the owner of the weapon before night. This declaration soon came to Springer's ears and quite worried him. He immediately telephoned to the Central Station for police protection, and officers hurried out to Haughville, instituting a vigorous search for the murderons Whiting, but were unable to effect his capture. At last accounts Springer was still alive, but it is more than likely he slept with one eye open last night. Strenuous efforts to apprehend Whiting will be made again to-day, and for the good of the commuity at large, it is to be hoped they will be attended with success.

#### A DESPERATE ATTEMPT

By a Melancholy Tramp to Escape Work on the Stone Pile.

Early yesterday morning a man was found locked in an L., N. A. and C. freight car and was taken before the Mayor on a charge of vegrancy. Being convicted, a fine was assessed against him, and having no money, he was taken to the iail and thence to the stone pile with other prisoners. During the day he complained of being sick and unable to work, but as this is a favorite excuse with the tramp species no attention was paid to his assertions, and he was compelled to work with the other prisoners. Between 3 and 4 o'clock in the afternoon he succeeded in getting hold of a piece of hoop iron, and with this instrument made a most desperate attempt to commit suicide by cutting his throat. He succeeded in making a gash some two inches in length just above the larynx, cutting entirely oesaphagus but missing the main arteries. He was removed to the City Hospital and his wound attended to. It was found that he could eat nothing, and communication with him could he held only in writing. He gave his name as William Shonesy, and he said, or rather wrote, that his home was at Monon. A physician in charge at the Hospital said that the wound was a very dangerous one, and the recovery of the patient extremely problematical.

# PROBABLY FATAL ACCIDENT.

Johnnie Mann Accidentally Shoots Himself With a Revolver.

Johnnie Mann, the nine-year-old son of Patrick Mann, residing on West Washington street near the I., B. and W. crossing, was the victim, at a late hour yesterday evening, which will no doubt result fatally. While alone in the house the lad secured his father's revolver and succeeded in discharging it in such a manner as to receive the contents of the cartridge in the left breast, just underneath the heart, the ball penetrating the pericardium and making a fatal wound. At 1 o'clock this morning the lad unconscious and occasionally iting blood, the physician, Dr. Cal Fletcher, expressing probabilities recovery are all against him. Nothing is known of the manner in which the accident occurred but the supposition is that the lad was attempting to raise the hammers of the weapon with the muzzle pointed directly toward his breast. Mr. Mann is employed by the I., B. and W. Railroad in the capacity of

With reference to the action of the Council directing the City Engineer to examine

Mr. Sackett Says It Is Safe.

the lower room of the Dime Museum with a view to ascertaining whether or not it is in a safe condition, Manager Sackett says that there are altogether four double doors in the building which swing outward-two on Washington and two on Teennessee street, and further that the room can be emptied of the largest crowd within three minutes

The Light Artillery.

The Indianapolis Light Artillery will reach home this morning, coming over the Big Four from Cincinnati. A reception has been arranged, and the visitors will be welcomed at the depot by a number of citizens and the several military organizations of the city. The company will reach here at 11:30 a. m., and the military companies are requested to meet at the Light Infantry Armory, Masonic Temple, at 11 e'clock

A Two-Headed Calf

A cow belonging to Henry Bristow, a farmer living five miles from the city, on the Bluff Road, gave birth to a calf yesterday with two perfectly-formed heads, joined at the neck. The faces are almost directly opposite; the mouths, eyes and ears are per-fectly formed and in all respects natural. The calf died a few minutes after birth, and